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Dear Mr. Powell:

As a resident of the District of Columbia, a taxpayer, and a concerned American, I write to you today on the issue of the deregulation of the media industry, which the FCC is now considering.

It is my belief that the media and a free press are essential to protecting our democratic rights and the security and stability of American society. A major function of the Federal Communications Commission has been, and in my opinion must continue to be: 1) the protection of civil liberties, 2) the enhancement diversity and citizen access to the media, 3) the guarantee of the inclusion in the media of a diversity of opinion and viewpoints, and 4) free speech protections as guaranteed by the US Constitution.

I ask you to please recommend that the Commission take these elements into account in deliberating the question of deregulation and that the Commission reject deregulation based upon them.

Thank you for considering my opinion on this most important issue.

Sincerely yours,

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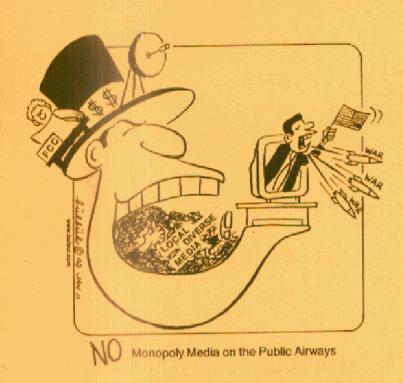
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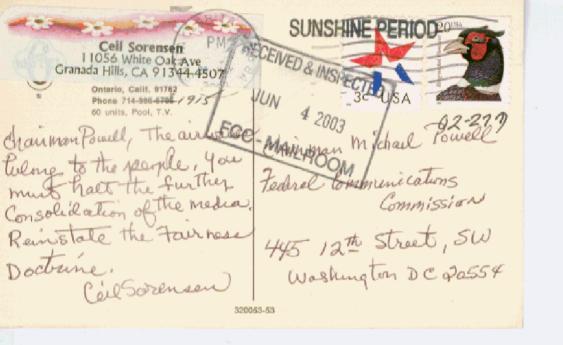
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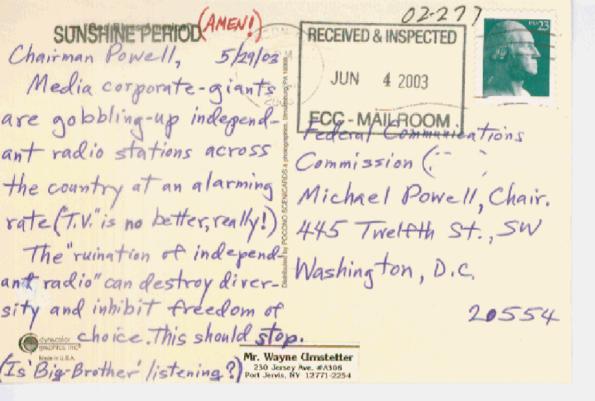


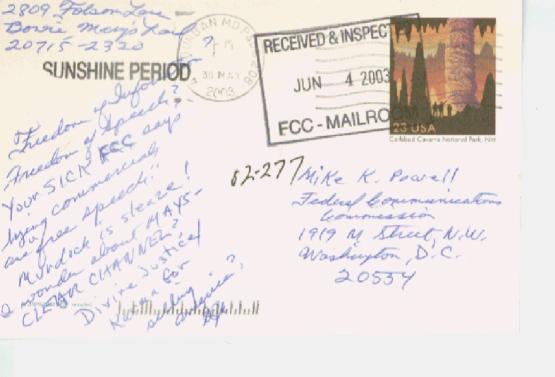
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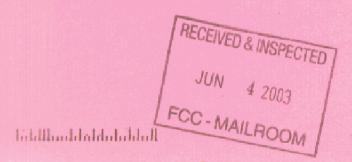
As an American who, to be an informed citizen, relies upon print and broadcast media, I oppose the FCC's unjustified relaxing of radio and/or television ownership caps that would result in further media consolidation—as is already occurring at an alarming rate since passage of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Large media companies are not impeded from profiting very handsomely under present terms.

Should a compromise prove necessary, however, then I suggest for the FCC's consideration an assessment of a levy—on television/radio operators whose holdings exceed the existing limitations—for the purpose of partially funding nonprofit public radio and television stations in the respective affected markets, to help ensure that adequate news broadcasts are available in the public's interest, as local commercial news services will likely continue to erode if media ownership caps are removed.

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The Honorable Michael K. Powell, Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Suite 8C453 Washington, DC 20554



Dear FCC Chairman Powell,

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I am writing to ask you to please protect freedom of speech and diversity of representation in our media! Please do NOT weaken media consolidation rules that make it possible for a range of voices to be heard across our nation.

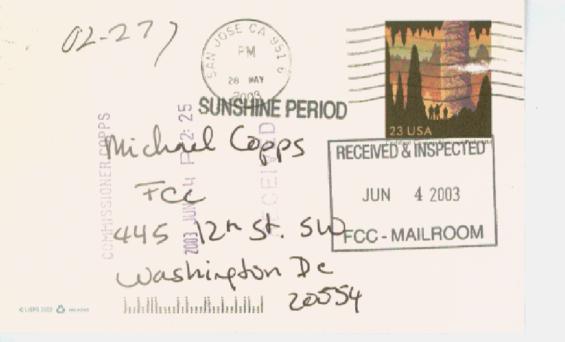
While open competition is important to most industries, it is absolutely crucial in media, where monopolies weaken culture and society, and create censorship of ideas. Please do NOT allow further media consolidation!

Thank you very much. Sincerely,

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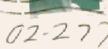
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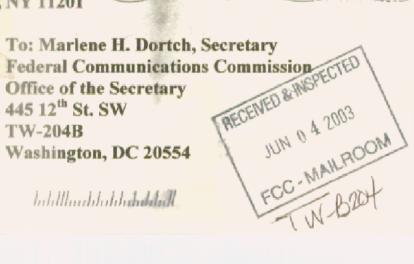
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